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FOR: Improvements In Or Relating To
Particle Detectors

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REQUEST FOR FURTHER CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION

Honorable Director of Patents and Trademarks
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Dear Sir:

The Certificate of Correction for this patent has been received, but there are further errors. A further Certificate of Correction is therefore requested.

First of all, claim 1, in line 8 of the claims set forth in the Certificate of Correction issued September 18, 2007 has a misspelling made by the Patent and Trademark Office, but also the word means should not appear, and that is an error in the claim as presented. On line 8, the term "baffler means" should read, simply, "barrier". That is clear from the clause earlier in the claim, where it claims "an electrically conductive barrier".

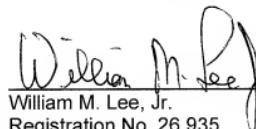
Similarly, the clause "barrier means" appears at line 4 of claim 13 and lines 4 and 6 of claim 16, and should simply be "barrier".

An appropriate Certificate of Correction is submitted herewith having claims 1, 13 and 16 properly changed. As the use of "barrier means" instead of "barrier" is an obvious error, this is correctable pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.323.

A Certificate of Correction is therefore requested, and the fee of \$100.00 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.20(a) should be deducted from Deposit Account No. 12-0913.

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It is certified that an error appears or errors appear in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Claims 1, 13 and 16 are replaced as shown below:

Col. 5, lines 20-34

1. Apparatus for detecting charged particles, the apparatus comprising a chamber for receiving said particles and being such that, in use, at least a partial vacuum is maintained in the chamber; an impact responsive sensor for detecting particles incident thereon, at least the part of the sensor on which the particles are incident being situated in the chamber; an accelerating electrode for providing, in the chamber, an electric field for accelerating charged particles therein towards the sensor and an electrically conductive barrier sealing an inlet to the chamber to allow said partial vacuum to be maintained, the barrier being sufficiently thin to enable the charged particles to be detected to travel therethrough, and being electrically isolated from the accelerating electrode so as to be capable of being maintained at a different potential from the latter.

Col. 6, lines 20-21

13. Apparatus according to claim 12, in which the apparatus further includes an electrically conductive cage mounted in front of, but electrically insulated from, the barrier, the cage being connectable to an accelerating voltage for drawing particles towards the barrier, the cage being so constructed as to allow the passage of particles therethrough, and in which the voltage source is also operable to apply to the cage a further voltage, of the same polarity as, but lower than, the second voltage.

Col. 6, lines 32-39

16. A microscope according to claim 15, in which the accelerating electrode comprises an electrically conductive member situated on or adjacent to the sensor, and a connector for connecting said member to an accelerating voltage, wherein the electrically conductive member and barrier are connected to a voltage source for applying a voltage of +10 kV to the member and of 0 to +1kV to the barrier.

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